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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MOPS, VS

SUBJECT: MILITARY SITUATION IN MR3

REF: BIEN HOA 190

1. THIS MESSAGE IS BASED ON A CONVERSATION WITH THE MR3 CHIEF
OF STAFF AT 0930 HOURS MAR 21.

2. IN THE WESTERN AREA, THE AMBUSH AND INTERDICTION POINT
ON ROUTE 1 JUST NORTHWEST OF CU CHI WAS CLEARED IN THE EARLY
EVENING OF MAR 20, AND ARVN HAD A SUCCESSFUL ENGAGEMENT DURING
SWEEP OPERATIONS, INFLECTING OVER 40 KIA ON THE NVA WHILE
CATURING SUBSTANTIAL QUANTITIES OF EQUIPMENT ABOUT 10 KMS
SOUTHEAST OF PHU KHUONG. REMNANTS OF THE 83RD RANGERS FROM DUC
HUE BASE ARE BEGINNING TO REACH GOVERNMENT LINES.

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3. IN THE EASTERN AREA, GVN FORCES ON MAR 20 WERE PUSHED AWAY

FROM LA NGA BRIDGE WHICH IS STILL INTACT BUT NOW CONTROLLED BY
THE NVA. GVN FORCES JUST OUTSIDE HOAI DUC REMAIN UNDER INTENSE
PRESSURE. THERE WERE NO OTHER SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE
SITUATION.

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